

Meningie Area School News



From the Principal

Fiona Haselgrove

This week we celebrated SSO (School Support Officers) Week. SSO's are part of the fabric of schools providing continuity over time, intimate knowledge of community and students.

Teachers wrote "5 things I appreciate about you" notes and for all of our support staff and a morning tea was provided. Make sure you thank our SSO's when you see them. If you are interested in working as an SSO we have information about the work and the how to apply which can be picked up or emailed.

Friday 1st September 2023

Term 3 Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER

Friday 1/9 to Sat 8/9

Wed 6th

Wed 13th

Thurs 14th

Friday 15th

Mon 18th

Tues 19th

Friday 22nd

Friday 29th

Royal Adelaide Show

School Closure Day

Choir @ Festival Theatre

Young Environmental Leaders

(Selected Year 5/6 students)

Student Free Day

SAPSASA Athletics

Year 5/6 Rugby Tag

White Card Training Yr 10-12

Last Day of Term

School Finishes 2.05pm

Buses Depart 2.10pm



Term 3 is where much of the teaching recruitment happens

for the following year. We restructured and advertised 3 leadership positions:

- Assistant Principal (B2) Secondary
Rachel Neumann has won this position
- Assistant Principal (B2) Primary
Still in progress
- Assistant Principal (B2) Wellbeing, Intervention & Support
Abbey Gibbs has won this position

I look forward to working with the team in 2024. We have a number of teaching positions that will be advertised this term and a panel considers applications.

TERM 3:

Week 5:

Industry Immersion Day

Week 4-7:

Explore options – Student Pathways website, Open Access,

Week 6:

Information for families, seminar

Week 8:

Complete "expressions of interest" for vocational courses. **DUE FRIDAY WEEK 9**

Week 9:

List course and subject options, form home for signature

Week 10:

Signed forms returned.

TERM 4:

Week 1-5:

Human resources in place

Week 6:

Courses finalized

Week 7-8:

Refine choices depending on VET courses or SBA's been put in place.

Week 9:

Draft timetable??

This is a small cohort and pathways will be very individualized.

You are welcome to make an appointment to discuss the options.

**Year 10/11
2024 courses
Timeline**

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If you try the website we would love to hear how it has helped. Send your feedback (you can provide your name or ask to not be named) to Emma.Swan733@schools.sa.edu.au

Wellbeing Corner by Rachel Neumann

The Statewide Inclusive Education Services (SIES), formerly SERU, holds regular parent forums to support and encourage parent engagement, capability building and networking with other families.

SIES parent forums are a safe space for families to gather information and resources to support their child's education.

The forums are an opportunity for parents and carers to:

- network with other parents and carers of children with disabilities
- connect with relevant disability organisations and information across the state
- access the extensive resource library that houses approximately 20,000 resources including:
- books and developmental learning materials
- access equipment
- assistive technologies
- classroom amplification/acoustic equipment.

Our school has been asked to highlight the next parent forum to any parents who may need to connect to SIES for support.

SIES Parent forum

Friday 15 September 2023

9.45am to 2.45pm

72a Marlborough St, Henley Beach

We have also been asked to refer parents and carers to the Statewide Inclusive Education Services website to register for the forum.

CHOIR by Mrs Wright

On Thursday, 17 August, students from Meningie travelled to the Magic Millions Complex to rehearse with students from lots of other schools. Altogether there were over 400 students- singing, doing choreography, listening, playing music and practising for the big night on September 13th. Meningie School students are part of the Primary Schools Music Festival Series. There are 10 concerts in the series, and we are performing on the first night. We are sharing a row with Tailem Bend Primary School and Fulham Gardens Primary School.

We are looking forward to performing at the Theatre and spending time making new friends and performing for a huge audience.

In Term 4 on October 24th, choir students from Year 4-6 will be performing at the Murray Bridge Town Hall as part of the Murray Mallee Choir Festival. What a great chance to work with others and make music together.



BAND by Mrs Wright

On Friday, 18th August, students from Meningie Area School joined students from Lameroo Community School, Mannum Community School, Coomandook Area School and Murray Bridge High School at the Coomandook Town Hall to rehearse, meet other people, make music and perform together under the leadership of our two Instrumental Music Teachers – Mr Sean Helps and Mr Tim Frears. Other teachers and staff joined the 50+ students on the day. We were joined by Lisa Bryant (Manager of Music for the Department of Education of South Australia) and Amelia Monaghan (manager for our region for Instrumental Music).

Following the rehearsal, we performed for an audience of school students and community members from Coomandook and surrounding areas.

We look forward to the Beginning Band students having a similar experience at Murray Bridge North School on November 14th. This will be a big band of enthusiastic and emerging players.



On the 18th of August 2023, a few people from Meningie Area School went on an excursion to Band in Coomandook, other people from different schools, also came. It was a long bus ride there, but when we got there, we went straight into a rehearsal.

When we were done the rehearsal, we had a lunch break, there was a sausage sizzle if you wanted a sausage in bread.

After that, some other people from the Coomandook school, came to watch us play.

When we had finished our concert, we started to pack-up, then said thanks to our music teachers and went on a long bus ride back home. By Charlie 😊❤️ Nankivell-Watkins

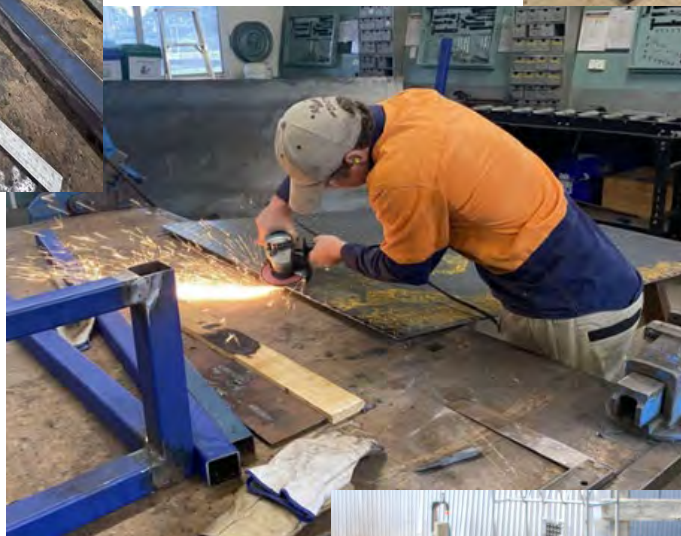
SACE Agriculture

To begin with I sketched my designs to get an idea of what I wanted to do, then the all clear from my teachers, I asked for a quote for the steel, purchased it and then begun cutting it to its lengths. After planning and preparing for the trailer in lesson time I then started building. Kieron and I faced multiple problems but it was nothing we couldn't figure out and overcome.

After completing the frame and axel of the trailer we started laying the floor and sides in. We then welded everything off and attached the tow bar. At that stage we didn't have much time left to complete the trailer so I decided to take it home to complete it. At home I cleaned and prepared the trailer ready to be primed, once I had the trailer prepared I used a spray gun to paint the trailer surfaces.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all my teachers for allowing me to do this project and for supervising me throughout the process. A huge thank you to Keiron and Miss Hattam for all their time and support.

By Jacobe Griffiths



Book Week



When it was Book Week, we all dressed up. Then we all went to the school hall. The Kindy came to school and the R/1 up to year 5/6. We all dressed up. We did a school parade. Some people dressed up as a dancer and a gymnast. By Elise Hera-Singh.

On 24th of August we had a book week parade and nearly every person dressed up. We had to walk around the hall so everyone could see the costumes.

When people were leaving, they got a chocolate frog from a pelican in the hall foyer. There were a lot of parents looking at our costumes, but it was fun dressing up. By Samzon Oliver





Heroes' day 25/8/2023.

August 8th 2023, was Heroes' Day. We got to dress up as our hero, it could be a superhero, or someone we know that we can call our hero.

We got free cupcakes and a sausage on bread but some of us got it on a roll.

For Hero Day, I was cat woman because my mum was cat woman for Halloween. That day was so much fun and exciting for most of who dressed-up. By Mya Kartinyeri

On Tuesday the 8th of August 2023, the Meningie Area School dressed up as their heroes for a day. The year 4/5 class made cupcakes for the school. There was a sausage sizzle for free for the school. The SRC got first pick of their cupcake. By Lainey Grigg-Mullan.



Supercars – OTR Super Sprint at The Bend

On Friday 18th August, the Children's University kids went to the Bend Motor Sport Park in Tailem Bend.

We all started off at school, we did the roll then got on the bus and went to the Bend. When we got there, everyone was excited at first, we went to a big shelter with all the other schools.

We watched the cars warm up. Then we went on a high platform with the pit stop right next to it. We watched the cars race, then had a look around we got posters and stuff. At 1:30 we got posters signed and a photo with the racer.

At 1:35 we got a tour of the Nulon racing pit stop. I had a good day. By Hugo Swan



On the 18th of August the Children University kids went to the Tailem Bend Motor Sport Park. Firstly, we sat under the shelter, and we talked to some races. Then we walked around, and we got signatures. Thank you to Children's University and The Bend for sponsoring our activities on the day. By Ruby Cunneen



In our classroom we are feeding silk worms. They are in tiny eggs. They are starting to hatch. The caterpillars are growing quickly. They eat mulberry leaves.



We have also have stick insects in a big cage They were eggs before now they are stick insects. The stick insects are getting bigger and we spray them with water so they can drink. They eat gum leaves. By Reggie Newchurch

In our year 4/5 classroom we have been feeding the silkworms nice green mulberry leaves. The silkworm moths from last year have had eggs that will soon grow into silkworms. The silkworms are growing and will be big. We have some big silkworms that are in a container. By Ruby Edson



The Year 4/5 class went to Jallarah on Tuesday 29th August

Students gave their friends gifts and performed the Dum Dum song.

Our shared activity was paper folding. We made paper planes and chatter boxes.

Samzon and Hugo drew in the big paper plane challenge. Polly threw her plane a long way too, and Barry's plane kept coming back to him.

The Jallarah people gave us gifts too!



Student paper plane competition in new NO:RI living room at Jallarah



Students receiving gifts from their Jallarah Friends



Mrs Wright demonstrating how to fold the paper planes



Congratulations to our year 12 student Brendan Kartinyeri for his selection as a finalist in the 2023 South Australian Training Awards.

Please show Brendan your support by voting for him at: <https://skillscommission.sa.gov.au/2023-sata-finalists/atsi-of-the-year>

Well done Brendan! Your community is proud of you and we wish you luck!

Foodbank HUB in Murray Bridge is available to families and community in the Meningie and Districts area.

Shopping at Foodbank Murray Bridge is easy and convenient. All you need is a referral form and time to go shopping to pick your own groceries.



Meningie Area School is a referrer, please contact the front office to receive your referral or for more information.

If you need support, Foodbank is one option for reducing your weekly or fortnightly expenses.

The Coonalpyn & Districts Soldiers Memorial Pool AGM

Wednesday 13th September 7.00 pm

at the CFS Group Base, 56 Peake Tce, Coonalpyn.

Anyone interested is welcome!



Relief Bus Drivers Needed

Are you interested in being a relief School bus driver for Meningie Area school? Do you hold a LR, MR, HR, HC or MC licence? If so, we want to hear from you. Please contact James Stafford of Bus Biz 0438 821 220 or call in to Reception at school.

FRESHIES LUNCH ORDERS

We are asking families to please ensure they process each student's order on individual orders with their class details in the notes section. This reduces the chances of errors occurring and students missing out on lunches, or it being delivered to the wrong classrooms. Thank you.



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WHY SWIMMING?

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Joining Murray Bridge Cods Swimming Club can teach young people important life skills like water safety, commitment, time management, leading a healthy lifestyle, social skills and plenty more. Our swimming club provides a fun and safe social environment for swimmers and their parents.

Swimming helps you live a healthy lifestyle - dive in today!

LOCATION

Murray Bridge
Swimming Centre

DAYS AND TIME

Swimming Season
October 30th 2023 to March 28th 2024
5:30 - 6:30pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs.
You pick and choose your days

Email
murraybridgecodsswimclub@gmail.com

Website
murraybridgecods.swimmingclub.org.au



SA AMBULANCE SERVICE OPEN NIGHT & BBQ



MENINGIE STATION

Meet the volunteers and enjoy a sausage sizzle, learn CPR and find out about volunteering for your local community. Take a look at what your Volunteer Ambulance Officers do.

When: 7pm Wednesday 15 November
Where: 104 Princes Highway, Meningie



More information: Regional Team Leader Tess Judd 0427 615 141

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TERM 3 2023

Theme: Transport
When: Fridays 9:30am
Ages: 0-5

Location: 60 Princes Hwy, Meningie SA 5264



Contact us for registration
Casual or Term bookings available



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CREEK CONNECT @ LANGHORNE CREEK

What is the Creek Connect Showcase Day?

A one day, fully hosted, “kick the dirt” showcase to gain insights to career opportunities in the Langhorne Creek wine and viticulture industry.

**Our Showcase Day is on
September 19th in Langhorne Creek**

Why take part?

- Gain real world insight to the wine grape and viticulture industry.
- Understand career and skills pathways.
- Directly engage with those in the local industry.
- Take part in immersive site visits.

What will you get out of it?

- Visit and tour a working winery and vineyard, vine nursery and vineyard machinery operation.
- Get information and support for skills development you can do now.
- Find tools to help navigate career paths.
- Establish links for future work experience.

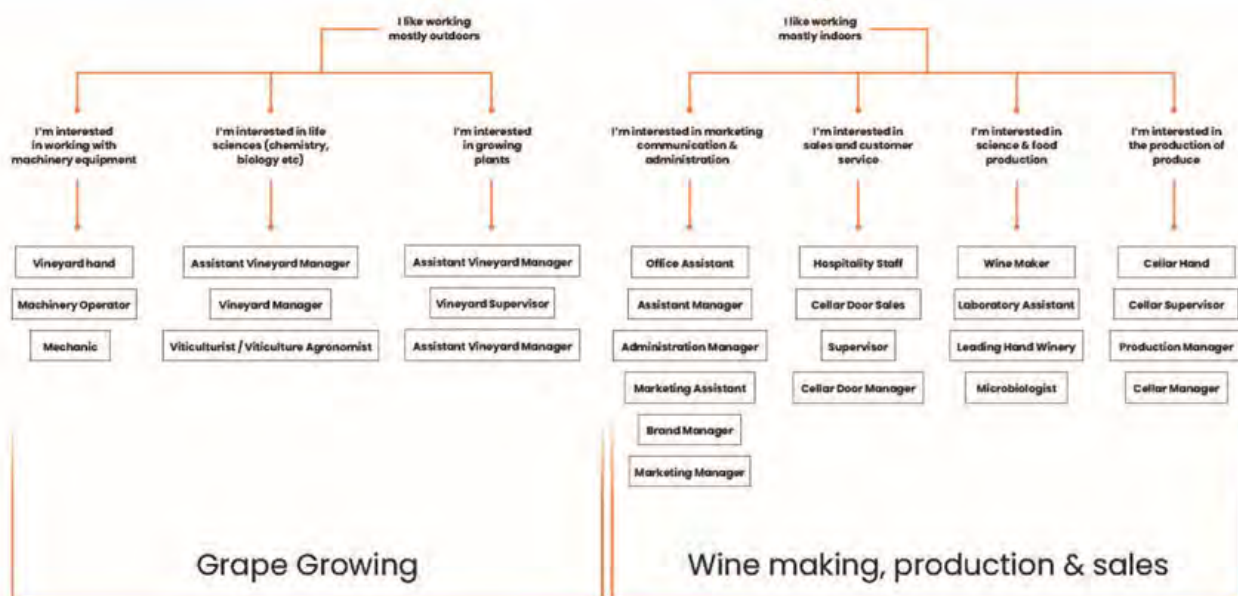
WHO CAN APPLY?

The Creek Connect Showcase Day is open to students from Year 9 and upwards.

Students must fill out the form online and provide all the requested information and we will be in touch with you soon.

For mor information and registrations please visit <https://creekconnect.com.au/>

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- Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*

*Many Centrelink payments are eligible

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